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Applicants	:	Wigler at al.		
Application No.	:	10/677,396	Confirmation No. :	8878
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For	:	USE OF REPRESENTATIONS OF DNA FOR GENETIC ANALYSIS		
Group Art Unit	:	1634		
Examiner	:	Heather Calamita		

New York, New York
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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This responds to the Office Action dated August 13, 2004. Applicants have petitioned concurrently herewith to extend the time for responding to that Action for three months from November 13, 2004 to February 14, 2005 (February 13, 2005 being a Sunday), and have paid the requisite fee. 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17(a)(3) and 1.136(a). Thus, this Response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.